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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences form the decision dated _06/22/2007 ___ of the Examiner's rejection of Claims __1-7, 9 and 10.

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